GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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PRABHUNATH SINGH

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the observations have since been examined and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(b) whether any avoidable expenditure of Rs.2.14 crores has been caused to the Railwayadministration during April 1996 to February 1999 as has been brought out in CAG report no.9 of 2000 on page 311;

(c) if so, the reaction of his Ministry thereon and steps taken to check the wasteful expenditure in the Railway administration;

(d) whether the Eastern Railway did not install capacitor banks at all traction sub-stations causing loss of revenue to the State; and

(e) if so, has the matter been enquired into and responsibility fixed giving details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O RAILWAY (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) The documents which formed the basis for arriving at various conclusions have been received from Audit. The observations are under examination by the Ministry of Railways.

(a) No, Sir. The expenditure was unavoidable.

(b) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

(c) Provision of Capacitor Banks is need based. As far as Eastern Railway isconcerned, Capacitor Banks have since been provided wherever required.

(d) Does not arise in view of (b) above.